

FISCAL MEMORANDUM

SB 2893 – HB 2873

April 29, 2008

SUMMARY OF AMENDMENT (013837, 017919): Requires the Coordinator of Elections to create minimum standards for training election officials. Requires the state to reimburse each county election commission an amount of funding to compensate election officials (poll workers) during regular August and November state elections and any federal election. Subject to annual appropriations by the General Assembly, the Coordinator of Elections is directed to use existing HAVA funds to the extent allowed by federal law.

FISCAL IMPACT OF ORIGINAL BILL:

Increase State Expenditures - \$1,094,000 Every Two Years

FISCAL IMPACT OF BILL WITH PROPOSED AMENDMENT:

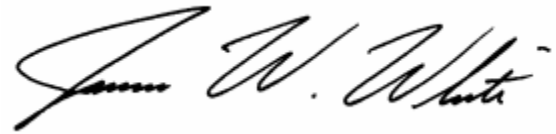
Other Fiscal Impact - An appropriation by the General Assembly in the amount of \$1,094,000 from federal HAVA funds would be required every two years. Currently, there is available an amount of approximately \$30,000,000 in one-time federal HAVA funds.

Assumptions applied to amendment:

- Under this bill, each county with less than 10,000 active registered voters will be eligible to receive an amount of \$3,000 (24 counties x \$3,000 = \$72,000).
- Each county with 10,000 – 20,000 active registered voters will be eligible to receive an amount of \$5,000 (32 counties x \$5,000 = \$160,000).
- Each county with 20,001 – 50,000 active registered voters will be eligible to receive \$7,000 (25 counties x \$7,000 = \$175,000).
- Each county with more than 50,000 active registered voters will be eligible to receive \$10,000 (14 counties x \$10,000 = \$140,000).
- The total cost per election is estimated to be \$547,000.
- There are two statewide elections every two years.
- The total cost to reimburse local governments every two years is estimated to be \$1,094,000.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "James W. White". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "James" written in a larger, more prominent script than the last name "White".

James W. White, Executive Director

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